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SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION OF GOALS AND OBJECTIVES TOWARDS
CANADA.

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1. FOLLOWING IS DRAFT IMPLEMENTATION STATEMENT TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE WHITE HOUSE TOGETHER WITH STATEMENT OF AMBASSADOR'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES. IMPLEMENTATION PAPER WHICH WAS DRAWN FROM REFS, IS INTENDED TO HIGHLIGHT MEASURES WHICH AMBASSADOR AND COUNTRY TEAM PLAN TO TAKE OVER NEAR TERM TO CARRY OUT AGREED OBJECTIVES. CONSTRAINTS ON LENGTH OF STATEMENT NECESSARILY REQUIRE THAT IT BE SELECTIVE, BUT DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT DRAFT ADEQUATELY REFLECTS PRIORITIES IN SUMMARY FASHION.

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2. AMBASSADOR'S COMMENTS WOULD BE WELCOME, BUT SHOULD ARRIVE BEFORE COB MARCH 10. PAPER MAY BE REVIEWED, IN ANY EVENT IN CONNECTION WITH POLICY ASSESSMENT REVIEW SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 29 AND SHOULD REVISIONS ON GOALS AND OBJECTIVE OR IMPLEMENTATION PLANS BE AGREED, REVISED PAPERS MAY BE SUBMITTED TO WHITE HOUSE.

3. BEGIN TEXT.

GOALS IMPLEMENTATION - CANADA

IN IMPLEMENTING ESTABLISHED GOALS, THE AMBASSADOR AND THE COUNTRY TEAM WILL TAKE THE FOLLOWING ACTIONS:

GOAL I. MAINTENANCE OF CANADIAN UNITY WHILE AVOIDING DIRECT US INVOLVEMENT IN THE SEPARATION ISSUE.

-- CLOSELY MONITOR INTERNAL DEVELOPMENTS IN CANADA IN ORDER TO AVOID DESTABILIZING ACTIONS OR BEING DRAWN INTO THE OTTAWA-QUEBEC DISPUTE, WHILE REMAINING RESPONSIVE TO CANADIAN REQUESTS FOR US ACTION SUPPORTIVE OF NATIONAL UNITY;

GOAL II. INCREASED COOPERATION IN ENERGY, ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC AFFAIRS.

-- IMPLEMENTATION OF COOPERATIVE MEASURES DEVELOPED DURING VICE PRESIDENT'S TRIP--JOINT STORAGE AND ELECTRICITY EXCHANGE STUDIES, ENCOURAGEMENT OF EARLY GAS EXPORTS RELATED TO THE NORTHERN GAS PIPELINE, COOPERATIVE ARRANGEMENTS CONCERNING ANTITRUST ACTIONS WITH EXTRATERRITORIAL IMPACTS;

-- SUPPORT SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF ONGOING MARITIME NEGOTIATIONS; SHOULD THEY NOT SUCCEED, PRESS FOR INTERIM OR PARTIAL ARRANGEMENTS TO MINIMIZE DISLOCATIONS AND CONTAIN NEGATIVE FALLOUT;

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-- MONITOR CANADIAN IMPLEMENTATION OF OUR NORTHERN NATURAL GAS PIPELINE AGREEMENT TO ENSURE THAT LEGISLATION AND GOVERNMENTAL DECISIONS ARE CONSISTENT WITH THE AGREEMENT AND RESPONSIVE TO US INTERESTS;

-- PURSUE OPPORTUNITIES FOR CLOSER COOPERATION IN ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION INCLUDING CONCLUSION OF A STRENGTHENED AGREEMENT ON GREAT LAKES WATER QUALITY, MARINE POLLUTION CONTROL, AND ENHANCED EXCHANGES ON AIR QUALITY AND LONG-RANGE TRANSPORTATION OF AIRBORNE POLLUTANTS;

GOAL III. CLOSE US-CANADIAN COOPERATION ON MULTILATERAL ISSUES.

-- CONTINUE TO DISCUSS US VIEWS, POSITIONS AND ANALYSIS IN ADVANCE OF ACTION FORCING EVENTS, TO HELP ASSURE THAT CANADA REMAINS A GENERALLY ACTIVE AND SUPPORTIVE PARTICIPANT IN MAJOR MULTILATERAL ISSUES AND FORA ON NORTH-SOUTH ISSUES,

ECONOMIC AND ENERGY QUESTIONS, MULTILATERAL TRADE NEGOTIATIONS, REGIONAL POLITICAL ISSUES, NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION AND ARMS CONTROL ACTIONS AND NATO ACTIVITIES;

-- CONTINUE TO TRY TO BRIDGE THE GAP IN REMAINING POLICY DIFFERENCES ON LAW OF THE SEA MATTERS, PARTICULARLY THOSE RELATING TO DEEP SEABED MINING ISSUES;

-- CONTINUE TO BE RESPONSIVE TO CANADA'S SPECIAL MTN CONCERNS AND OPEN TO MOVING EVEN FURTHER BILATERALLY THAN WE MAY BE ABLE TO GO MULTILATERALLY;

GOAL IV. PROTECTION OF US INTERESTS IN BILATERAL AREAS.

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-- CONTINUE AN EXTENSIVE PROGRAM OF CONTACTS TO EMPHASIZE AND MAKE EXPLICIT US CONCERNS ABOUT POSSIBLE NEGATIVE TRANSBOUNDARY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF CANADIAN PROJECTS, SUCH AS POPLAR RIVER, ATIKOKAN, BEAUFORT SEA OIL DRILLING, BUT BE PREPARED TO BACK OFF FROM CONFRONTATION WHEN IT IS CLEAR THAT NO ENVIRONMENTAL THREAT CAN BE PROVEN;

--CONTINUE TO INSIST UPON COMPENSATION FOR TRADE DAMAGE AND EARLY REMOVAL OF QUOTA RESTRICTIONS, AS IN THE CASE OF TEXTILES AND FOOTWEAR; BE VIGILANT AGAINST NEW ATTEMPTS TO USE AGRICULTURAL MARKETING BOARDS TO RESTRICT US EXPORTS;

-- REMIND THE CANADIAN GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC OF THE ADVANTAGES WHICH THE AUTO PACT HAS BROUGHT, POINTING OUT THAT TRADE IMBALANCES HAVE BEEN SMALL RELATIVE TO THE VAST EXPANSION IN TWO-WAY AUTO TRADE; ATTEMPT TO RESTRAIN ANY GOC EFFORTS TO MANDATE AUTO COMPANY PARTS SOURCING AND INVESTMENT DECISIONS;

GOAL V. A STRENGTHENED MILITARY RELATIONSHIP.

-- CONTINUE TO URGE THE GOC TO ACHIEVE THE NATO THREE PERCENT DEFENSE SPENDING INCREASE GOAL AND ENCOURAGE GOC SUPPORT FOR WEAPONS PROGRAMS THAT ENHANCE CANADA'S ABILITY TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE DEFENSE OF NATO; SUCH AS AWACS;

--SEEK TO NURTURE THE PRESENT SENSE OF CONFIDENCE IN NORAD AMONG BOTH OFFICIALS AND THE CANADIAN PUBLIC AND CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE JOINT US-CANADIAN AIR DEFENSE MODERNIZATION SHARING EFFORTS. END TEXT. VANCE

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